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For : METHOD FOR ISOLATING
NUCLEIC ACIDS, AND A KIT
AND APPARATUS FOR
NUCLEIC ACID ISOLATION
(AMENDED)
Examiner : unknown
Group Art Unit : unknown

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND
VERIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.821 (f)**

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Dear Sir:

Preliminary to examination on the merits, please amend the above-captioned U.S. application as follows.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.